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SAM BRODSKY, WEB REPORTER

April showers bring May flowers — and lots of green, apparently. MedMen, a leading medical marijuana dispensary based in California, is coming to Manhattan on April 20. Yes, we mean 4/20. But it's not just any old purveyor of pot. MedMen has been compared to the Apple Store and called the "Barneys of weed" — and it's opening up shop on Fifth Ave. Turn to page 4 to find out more about MedMen, and visit **metro.us** for more local coverage.

MEXICO REACTS AS TRUMP POSTS TROOPS ON BORDER

1 President Donald Trump, unable to get the Congress or Mexico to fully fund his border wall, will post National Guard troops along the Mexican frontier, officials said on Wednesday, in a move that was likely to escalate tensions with the key U.S. ally. The Trump administration was working with the governors of the four southwestern U.S. states to deploy the Guard, said Homeland Security Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen, adding that the troops would not be involved in law enforcement. In a supporting role, the Guard will help U.S. Customs and Border Protection personnel with stopping illegal immigrants from entering the country, Nielsen said. The Mexican government has told the United States that "if the announced deployment of the National Guard turned into a militarization of the border, that would gravely damage the bilateral relationship," Mexico's Foreign Ministry said. It said Nielsen discussed the planned National Guard deployment with Mexican Foreign Minister Luis Videgaray on Wednesday and told him the troops will not carry arms. The National Guard is a reserve wing of the U.S. armed forces that is partially under the authority of governors.

SOURCES: THIS WEEK, US WILL SANCTION RUSSIANS

2 The United States plans to sanction Russian oligarchs this week under a law targeting Moscow for meddling in the 2016 U.S. election, sources familiar with the matter said on Wednesday, in what could be the most aggressive move so far against Russia's business elite. The action, which could affect people close to President Vladimir Putin, reflects Washington's desire to hold Russia to account for allegedly interfering in the election even as President Donald Trump holds out hope for good relations with Putin. Trump has faced fierce criticism for doing too little to punish Russia for the election meddling and other actions. The sanctions, which two sources said would be announced as early as Thursday, would follow the March 15 U.S. decision to sanction 19 people and five entities, including Russian intelligence services, for cyberattacks stretching back at least two years. While the steps were the most significant taken against Moscow since Trump took office in January 2017, his decision at the time not to target oligarchs and government officials close to Putin drew criticism from U.S. lawmakers in both parties.

OPENING CEREMONY OF THE GOLD COAST 2018 COMMONWEALTH GAMES

3 A general view as White Whale Migaloo is seen during the Opening Ceremony for the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games at Carrara Stadium on Wednesday on the Gold Coast of Australia.

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US SOFTENS TARIFF STANCE AFTER CHINA RETALIATES

4 President Donald Trump's administration signaled on Wednesday that proposed U.S. tariffs on $50 billion in Chinese goods may be a negotiating tactic in the escalating U.S.-China trade fight in which China retaliated by targeting key American imports with similar duties. Just 11 hours after the United States proposed 25 percent tariffs on some 1,300 Chinese industrial, technology, transport and medical products, China responded with a list of similar duties on major American imports including soybeans, planes, cars, beef and chemicals. Asked whether the tariffs announced by the United States on Tuesday may never go into effect and may be a negotiating tactic, Trump's top economic adviser, Larry Kudlow, told reporters, "Yes, it's possible. It's part of the process." When Kudlow was asked whether the United States could lose a trade war, he said, "No. I don't see it that way. This is a negotiation, using all the tools." Kudlow described the announcements by the two countries as "just the first proposals," adding, "I doubt if there will be any concrete action for several months."

FACEBOOK SAYS DATA LEAK HITS 87 MILLION USERS

5 Facebook Inc. said on Wednesday that the personal information of up to 87 million users, mostly in the United States, may have been improperly shared with political consultancy Cambridge Analytica, up from a previous news media estimate of more than 50 million. Chief Executive Mark Zuckerberg said in a call with reporters that Facebook had not seen "any meaningful impact" on usage or ad sales since the scandal, although he added, "it's not good" if people are unhappy with the company. Shares rose more than 3 percent after the bell. Zuckerberg said that he accepted blame for the data leak, which has angered users, advertisers and lawmakers, while also saying he was still the right person to head the company. "When you're building something like Facebook that is unprecedented in the world, there are going to be things that you mess up," Zuckerberg said, adding that the important thing was to learn from mistakes. He said he had not fired anyone over the scandal and did not plan to. "I'm not looking to throw anyone else under the bus for mistakes that we made here," he said.

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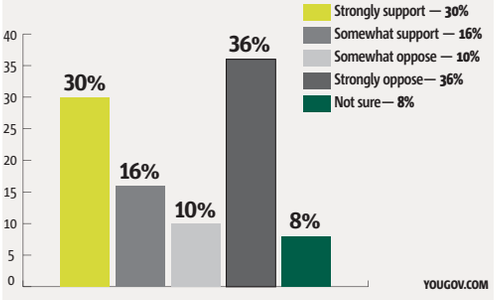
BORDER SECURITY

President Donald Trump recently said he plans to send U.S. troops to the Mexican border to guard against illegal immigration and drug trafficking until a wall is built. Do you support or oppose this plan?



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Medical marijuana dispensary MedMen coming to Manhattan

It's opening on 4/20. Because of course it is.

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MedMen, a recreational and medical marijuana dispensary headquartered in Culver City, California, is coming to 5th Ave. Page Six reported that it's known as the "Barneys of weed" — and it's up opening shop on April 20 (4/20, of course).

"We do not run pot shops, we manage class leading retail stores that happen to sell marijuana and marijuana products," the company's website states. (How Barneys-esque of them.)

MedMen, named one of Forbes' top five financial leaders in the cannabis industry, was founded in 2010 by CEO Adam Bierman and President Andrew Modlin. It has recreational stores in California and Nevada (where recreational use is legalized) and three medical dispensaries in New York (Manhattan will be its fourth in the state, and its first location in NYC).

"More style, less stigma," CNBC's Marcus Lemonis described the dispensary when touring MedMen West Hollywood in August, equipped with sleek, consumer-friendly table displays promoting transparency: iPads with a library of information and clear-packaged marijuana samples, allowing you to inspect your weed through a magnifying glass and smell it via a sliding compartment. This setup — clean and mod — has been compared to the Apple Store.

Bierman told Fast Company last month that their overall goal is "mainstreaming marijuana" so that the act of going out to buy recreational weed is just as common — and accepted — as "going to buy a new computer or a new set of headphones, or to get something fixed."

Employees' shirts read, "Shop. It's legal," or "Heal. It's legal" (which is most likely what sales associates at MedMen Manhattan will be wearing).

MedMen dispensary in West Hollywood, California. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

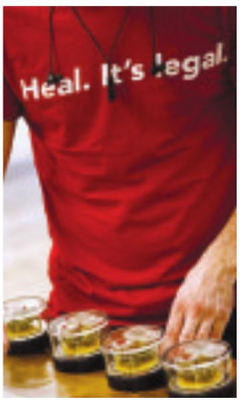
ABOUT MEDMEN MANHATTAN

The Manhattan store will be located at 433 5th Ave, near Bryant Park and will offer marijuana to medically qualified state residents in the form of gel caps, edibles, vape pens and everything in between.

The 10,000-square-foot store will be the third medical marijuana dispensary in Manhattan, joining Etain, located near Grand Central, and Columbia Care, near Union Square.

"The future of cannabis is a mainstream shopping experience where responsible adults and marijuana patients can access products in an inviting and familiar environment, that's what MedMen aims to offer," Daniel Yi, MedMen's SVP of corporate communications, told Metro in a statement. "We are proud to bring this experience to New York and showcase it in one of the most iconic shopping districts in the world."

In terms of the Manhattan shop's design, a company spokesperson said "think walnut tables, high-tech displays and unique lighting fixtures." MedMen Manhattan, with its Apple Store standards and Barneys charm, will be opening its doors in two weeks' time — conveniently on 4/20.



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At 95, this still-active federal judge moonlights as an ice dancer

Twice a week, Judge Robert Sweet can be found lacing up his skates at Chelsea Piers while you're likely still home in your pajamas.

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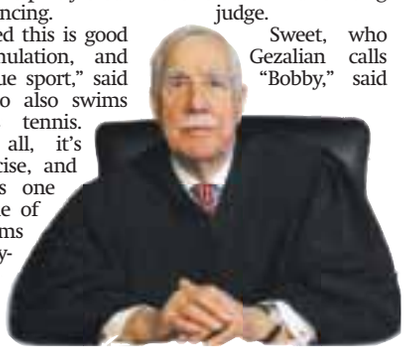
While most New Yorkers are readying themselves for the day ahead, Judge Robert Sweet is just about finished lacing up his skates for his ice-dancing lesson at Chelsea Piers' Sky Rink.

Sure, exercising first thing in the morning is something many people do, but the ice-dancing Sweet is arguably more unique than most as he's 95 years old — and still an active federal judge in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York.

In fact, after his twice-a-week lessons with two-time Olympic ice dancer Samvel Gezalian, Sweet can usually be found in his chambers on Pearl Street, where he still clocks in five days a week, something he partly credits to ice dancing.

"I figured this is good brain stimulation, and it's a unique sport," said Sweet, who also swims and plays tennis. "First of all, it's good exercise, and balance, as one ages, is one of the problems that everybody worries about. You're on a very thin blade, and your entire body is involved because you have to be in the correct position."



Sweet, who now wears a helmet after getting a concussion on the ice a few years back, has been training with Gezalian for almost 20 years, since he picked up the sport at the behest of his wife, Adele, a former competitive figure skater and skating judge.

Sweet, who Gezalian calls "Bobby," said his coach "pushes me, hopefully not beyond my capacity. He's wont to say at my age if I can stay at the same level, that's winning, but I'm trying to improve."

> **"At his age, I never see anybody skate."**
>
> Olympic ice dancer Samvel Gezalian

To "Coach," "everything" about Sweet is surprising. "You don't see federal judges skate, it doesn't go together," Gezalian said. "At his age, I never see *anybody* skate."

Sweet was appointed to the Southern District of New York by President Jimmy Carter in 1978. One of his law clerks was former New York Gov. Eliot Spitzer, and he's presided over many prestigious cases, including a consumer obesity lawsuit against McDonald's and Facebook's IPO.

"I figured this is good brain stimulation, and it's a unique sport," Judge Robert Sweet said of ice dancing. ALL PHOTOS BESS ADLER

Despite his senior status, Sweet still has around 200 civil cases and between 40 to 50 criminal cases each year.

"It's nice, clean indoor work," he said.

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The Gowanus Community Advisory Group is asking the EPA for signage warning anglers not to eat what they catch along Brooklyn's Gowanus Canal. INSTAGRAM@DEMERZEL21

New signs will warn against eating Gowanus Canal fish

There are reportedly 15 types of fish and shellfish that can be found in the toxic Gowanus Canal in Brooklyn.

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Locals fishing in Brooklyn's Gowanus Canal will soon see some friendly reminders to not eat what they catch in the toxic waterway, Brooklyn Paper reported Tuesday.

The Gowanus Community Advisory Group recently wrote a letter to the Environmental Protection Agency urging the federal department to put warning signs written in English and Spanish at fishing hot spots along the nearly two-mile canal.

"We ask that such warnings be placed in reasonably likely fishing locations and at each public-access location where people can easily make physical contact with the canal," the CAG wrote.

The signs, which will also feature graphics to inform the public of the possible dangers in eating anything caught in the Gowanus Canal, will list more than a dozen fish and shellfish that reportedly could be caught by anglers.

Since 2009, the canal has been a Superfund, a federal initiative that handles cleaning up contaminated sites, "so the EPA has jurisdiction to produce signs, which is an easier process than going through state agencies" that would normally handle fish consumption regulations, Christos Tsiamis, EPA project manager, told Brooklyn Paper.

According to drafts obtained by the outlet, the signs will also warn fishers of the chemicals the fish and shellfish could contain that would be dangerous for people, especially women and children, to eat.

One caution highlighted said that males older than 15 and women older than 50 could safely eat up to six blue crabs a week, but women under 50, especially those who are carrying or may carry a child, and children under age 15 should not eat any.

A $25 state permit and signing up for the state's fishing is required for anglers 16 and older, but those younger than 15 can fish for free along the Gowanus Canal, Brooklyn Paper reported.

Dredging of the canal was sidelined in January due to equipment issues, but restarted on March 22, Tsiamis said.

Brooklyn Paper also reported that a man's decomposed body was recovered from the Gowanus Canal near Nevis Street. The man has not been identified, nor has a cause of death been determined.

RUDY GIULANI

Media: Ex-New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani and wife Judith divorcing

Former New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani, who rose to national fame in the aftermath of the Sept. 11 attacks, and his third wife, Judith, are divorcing, the New York Post reported on Wednesday.

After a 15-year marriage, Judith Giuliani, 63, filed a contested divorce proceeding in state Supreme Court in Manhattan, indicating an expected fight over their assets, including properties in New York and Palm Beach, Florida.

"It is with great sadness I can confirm that Judith and I are divorcing," Rudy Giuliani, 73, told the Post. "We hope to do this as amicably as possible, and hope that people will respect the privacy of our children at this time."

Neither Rudy nor Judith Giuliani could be reached for immediate comment. A search of online court records did not immediately show that the two had filed for divorce.

Rudy Giuliani and his second wife, Donna Hanover, a television journalist, have two adult children, Andrew and Caroline. His first marriage to Regina Peruggi, his second cousin, was annulled after 14 years.

Judith Giuliani, a registered nurse, and her previous husband, Bruce Nathan, have an adult daughter, Whitney. Her first marriage to Jeffrey Ross ended in divorce in 1979.

Giuliani became the city's first Republican mayor in 20 years when he defeated David Dinkins, New York's first black mayor, in 1993. He went on to run for the White House in 2008. REUTERS

THE FOREMAN FORECAST: DC'S STINGRAY SWARM

Spying devices called Stingrays mimic the signals from cell phone towers. GETTY IMAGES

OPINION

TOM FOREMAN

CNN's Tom Foreman is the author of the book "My Year of Running Dangerously."

The question from Oregon Democratic Sen. Ron Wyden seemed harmless. He asked the Homeland Security crew if they had noticed, by chance, any foreign operators using super-secret devices to spy on cell phones around the nation's capital. Then the answer came back — well, yeah, now that you mention it, we have! (Cue the dramatic music, and prepare for a binge of "Homeland.")

At issue are these things called Stingrays — briefcase-size electronic devices that imitate cellphone towers. By this, I mean they emit an electronic signal which tricks nearby phones into connecting with the Stingray. That gives the Stingray operator all sorts of information about the phone owner's location, whom he or she is communicating with, and even the content of texts and conversations.

Well, I am guessing a bit about that last part. The capabilities of Stingrays are closely guarded by the manufacturers and their customers, plus there are various types of similar devices with different specs. "Stingray" has been sort of co-opted into a generic term. Like Kleenex — if, you know, tissues could track your phone calls. Anyway, people who want to spy on others just love these gadgets. The American Civil Liberties Union says 73 agencies — including local and federal law enforcement — in 25 states and D.C. have them. A few years back, a top Justice Department official said, "Cell-site simulators are a really critical tool … in finding fugitives and finding kidnap victims and drug cases."

Of course, Stingrays also sweep up phone data on scads of nearby innocent folks, so the ACLU is concerned about illegal searches, privacy invasion and where Brad really was when he said he was bowling all evening.

So that tells you what Stingrays are, and what they do, but this is what we still don't know: Who is using them around D.C. and why? Is it a foreign government? Terrorists? A super-secret police operation? Brad's wife? Homeland Security is offering no additional clues and apparently has not even captured one of these devices — they just think from their surveillance of electronic signals that Stingrays have been at work.

So just when you thought it was safe to go back into the capital … think again.

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The ACLU says 73 law-enforcement agencies nationwide use Stingrays.

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The ACLU says law enforcement agencies in 25 states and Washington, D.C., use Stingrays.

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Hundreds of worst arthritis sufferers from tri-state are

By Matt Edgar

America's Health Writer

New York City - Everyone has said it at one time or another. If I had only known about "this" sooner - things would be very different today.

That's what many knee arthritis pain sufferers are saying about this technology and treatment.

"We all know that countless lives are being saved every year because of early detection and better treatment" noted one of the doc's at ***NYC Pain MD*** in New York City. "*The same holds true for treating arthritis pain. I believe we are having so much success at* ***NYC Pain MD*** *because of two factors: One is we are using advanced medical technology and treatments many clinics do not use. And second, the word has spread to our community and so many knee arthritis sufferers are coming in sooner. And the earlier we can treat knee arthritis - the better the results. The key to trying to avoid or at the very least delay knee replacement surgery is doing the correct treatment as soon as possible".*

What is the "correct treatment?"

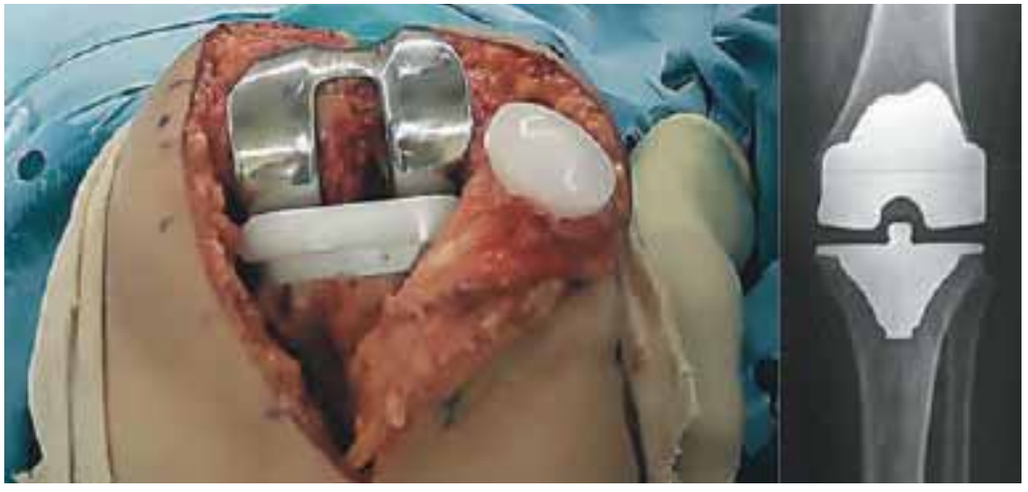
"That depends," noted the doc. *"There is no one answer when it comes to medical conditions. Knee arthritis is no different. That's why, if you have knee pain, you should have it evaluated by a doctor who deals with and treats knee pain every day,"* he added.

For many knee arthritis pain sufferers the right treatment is Viscosupplementation whereby an FDA-approved preparation of Hyaluronic acid - a gel-like medicine is - applied ultra-precisely and virtually painlessly into the knee joint using *Precision Arthritis Targeting Technology.*

Hyaluronic acid is the natural lubricant and shock absorber of your joints and is found to be decreased in arthritis sufferers. This is similar to running your without oil. Obviously, the sooner you put oil back in the car - the less damage will be done. That's why some doctors feel early viscosusupplementation gets the best results and is so important when trying to avoid surgery.

The director of treatment believes one of the most important factors for the success of viscosupplementation is making sure you are getting it into the joint space precisely. That's why the doctors at ***NYC Pain MD*** use advanced imaging technology to apply *Precision Arthritis Targeting* during every treatment.

A device called the "C-Arm" allows the doctor to see into the joint and actually watch the medicine be applied exactly where it is supposed to.go. Research shows that performing procedures without Precision Arthritis Targeting (P.A.T.T.) can result in missing the joint space as much as 30% of the time. If you had viscosupplementation treatments without Presision Arthritis Targeting Technology and did not get good results - this may be why.



Can This Be Avoided? Total knee replacement is serious surgery requiring months of rehabilitation. Some doctors think modern treatments done early enough can keep baby boomers from going under the knife

Normal Pain-Free Knee Joint

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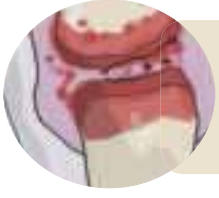
In the artist simulated drawings, picture #1 is a normal, pain-free knee. There is no arthritis and the knee can move and bend freely without pain.



Knee With Painful Arthritis

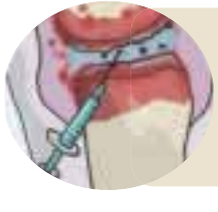
Pain -

Illustration shown is a knee joint with painful xosteo-arthritis. Arthritis causes the joint space to decrease, grinding, stiffness, decreased motion, bone spurs, swelling and a lot of pain.

Research Shows Doctors Miss The Joint Space Up To 30% Of The Time Without Advanced Imaging

Failed Treatment -

The injection (Lubrication medicine) misses the joint space. Research shows this occurs up to 30% of the time without the use of the digital imaging to guide the injection. This is why lubrication medicine may not have worked for you



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Successful Treatment -

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Lyft Line has grown 103 percent in the past year, thanks partly to the share-the-ride feature's popularity in New York City. LYFT

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In the past year, Lyft Line has grown by 103 percent, thanks in part to the share-the-ride feature's popularity in New York, one of the top 5 cities using the option, Lyft announced Wednesday.

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LinkNYCs will show bus arrival time info

Next time you need to know when your bus will arrive, you can look to some LinkNYC kiosks.

City Councilman Brad Lander, who represents Brooklyn's 39th District (covering Carroll Gardens, Gowanus, Park Slope and more) announced on Wednesday the launch of a bus time arrival pilot program for 29 Links within those areas.

LinkNYC's 55-inch screens in those Brooklyn neighborhoods will now show arrival info for buses that are a short walk away from a particular kiosk.

In the coming weeks, the same bus arrival time feature will launch on Links citywide.

1,700

There are more than 1,700 LinkNYC kiosks across the city.

The pilot is a collaboration between LinkNYC, the New York City Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications and Lander.

"The 'real-time passenger information' bus clocks we've installed in our district and across the city prove that knowing when the next bus is coming is a real quality-of-life improvement for NYC's bus riders," Lander said in a statement. "Now, thanks to LinkNYC and DoITT, riders will have access to that information on thousands of LinkNYC consoles along bus routes citywide, within just a couple of weeks."

There are more than 1,700 LinkNYC kiosks across the city, which already show subway status updates, weather, sports scores, information about community meetings, street closures and more.

To city leaders, adding real-time bus data is a logical next step and necessity for residents.

Starting in Brooklyn and expanding soon throughout the city, LinkNYC kiosks will show bus arrival time information. WIKIMEDIA COMMONS

"City buses need deep interventions before they will function adequately, and part of the path to turning around our failing bus service is to get more information into the hands of bus riders, in as many ways as possible," said John Raskin, executive director of the Riders Alliance, in a statement. "Adding bus arrival times to LinkNYC kiosks is a smart and creative way to help bus riders save time, and it will help make the bus a more modern, convenient option for New Yorkers to choose." KRISTIN TOUSSAINT

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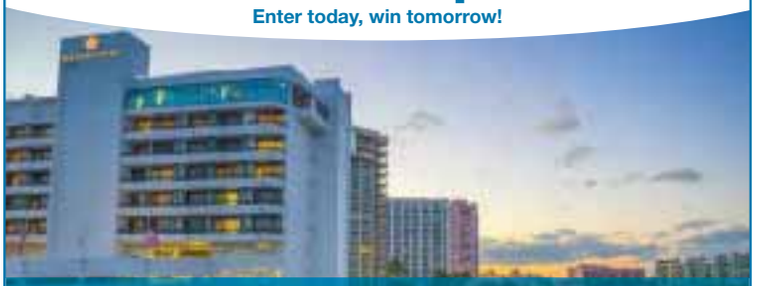

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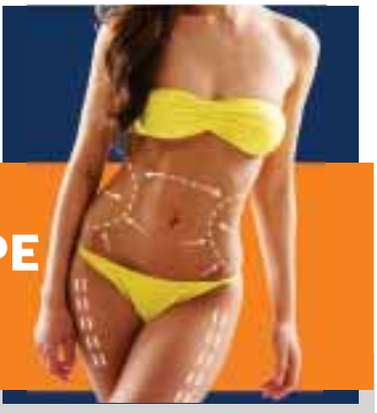

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Shooting motivated by video blogger's anger with YouTube, police say

The shooter spoke about herself using heroic terms in online posts before the attack.

Authorities named Nasim Aghdam as the YouTube shooter. SAN BRUNO POLICE/HANDOUT

An Iranian-born blogger opened fire at YouTube's California headquarters because she was angry at a site she believed was suppressing her videos, police said on Wednesday.

In a series of online postings, Nasim Najafi Aghdam, 39, had railed against the video-sharing site before wounding three people and killing herself on Tuesday at its offices in San Bruno.

In a video posted to her YouTube account, Aghdam said, "I am being discriminated. I am being filtered on YouTube."

"We know that she was upset with YouTube … that's the motivation," San Bruno Police Chief Ed Barberini told reporters.

The shooting came days after Aghdam had a dispute with her family that caused her to leave her San Diego home.

Early on Tuesday, Mountain View police found Aghdam sleeping in her car a few miles from Alphabet's headquarters. She was "calm and cooperative" with the officers, made no mention of YouTube and gave no indication she would harm anyone, police said.

In some online posts before the attack, Aghdam spoke about herself in heroic terms for surviving in a hostile world.

"I have never fallen in love and have never got married. I have no physical and psychological diseases. But I live on a planet that is full of injustice and diseases," she wrote REUTERS

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How common is it for mass shooters to be female?

The most recent multiple shooting occurred Tuesday on the campus of YouTube's headquarters located in San Bruno, California, but there was a major difference from other shootings that have recently occurred in the country: the incident involved a female shooter.

Nasim Aghdam, a 39-year-old San Diego resident, shot and wounded three people at YouTube headquarters Tuesday. She was allegedly found dead from a self-inflicted gunshot wound.

The FBI defines mass shooting as an incident involving "four or more people shot at once." It is still unclear if this recent incident is to be considered a mass shooting, the fact that it was a female who was identified as the shooter is not common when looking at mass shootings in the country statistically.

YouTube headquarters in California
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9

Of 220 incidents considered by the FBI to be mass shootings, nine involved female shooters.

According to data from a 2016 FBI study, a total of nine of the 220 incidents the FBI considered as mass shootings involved female shooters. The study looked at data from shooter incidents in the U.S. from 2000 to 2016.

In 2017 there were 28 mass attacks in the U.S. and there were no female perpetrators in any of the incidents, according to the Secret Service.

There has been extensive research about why mass shooters are rarely female. Some research and theories suggest that men are naturally more aggressive than women, a characteristic which may contribute to people becoming mass shooters.

Candice Batton, director of the School of Criminology and Criminal Justice at the University of Nebraska, Omaha, told NPR in 2013 that "some research supports the idea that males are more likely than females to develop negative attributions of blame that are external in nature, that is: 'The cause … of my problems is someone else or some force outside of me.' And this translates into anger and hostility toward others." LENYON WHITAKER

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MOVIES

Joaquin Phoenix and Lynne Ramsay are a match made in movie heaven

"You Were Never Really Here" star and director dish.

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This movie's a dark one, folks. AMAZON

In a world where movie stars are media-trained to within an inch of their lives, so much so that they often withhold their own viewpoints and personalities from public consumption for fear of offending or being judged poorly, Joaquin Phoenix is the antidote.

The Academy Award nominee is roundly regarded as one of the finest actors of his generation, and he just wants his work to do the talking. Lynne Ramsay, the writer and director of "Morvern Callar" and "We Need to Talk About Kevin," is cut from the same cloth.

So it makes sense then that they decided to work together on "You Were Never Really Here," a disorienting but bewitching thriller that revels in making you feel the unexpected, in which Phoenix plays Joe, a combat veteran and former FBI agent who rescues trafficked girls.

Metro chatted with them ahead of the movie's release this weekend.

What drew you to the story?

LR: I guess I was brought up on the noir B-movies of the 1950s, and I wanted to make my own version. There was a spectrum of things [to the book the film is based on]. I loved the page-turning quality of it, too. But at the same time, the writer gave me the freedom to make it my own.

The plays in gray rather than being black or white, positive or negative, was that an appeal?

JP: It was the possibility of what it could be, and that isn't just negative or positive. We constantly asked, 'How can we wrap this up into several layers?' A scene is never just a scene. This isn't strictly just about this. It's an opportunity to reveal something more. We never approached it going, 'This is dark. This is the negative view of things.' That was the joy of working on it — we were always trying to uncover something that wasn't obvious, something that is unexpected.

LR: It's always more exciting to me if it isn't just one tone or one mood.

I love when I go to the cinema and feel totally immersed. Years ago I told the story of when I went to see "Blue Velvet" and still being in "Blue Velvet" when I left. To me when something is joined dot-to-dot it isn't that exciting to watch. I was hoping to create an experience that you can get embroiled in. People are pretty sophisticated — you don't need to see everything to know what is going on. Sometimes what you don't see is much more terrifying and mysterious than everything being presented on a plate. And I certainly wasn't trying to make a standard revenge thriller.

What was the creative dynamic like on set?

JP: We would talk about all the various possibilities for a moment — some of the stuff we'd say on set was f–ing ridiculous. But then other stuff we'd be like, "That's kind of interesting." We wouldn't know which one we were going to do. You think about possibilities. You have to to have options. But I don't think we ever made a decision to do it in a specific way. It just kept on unfolding.

"You Were Never Really Here" is released on April 6.

Meet the amazing deaf actress in John Krasinki's 'A Quiet Place'

With just two feature film credits to her name, Millicent Simmonds is still very much in the infancy of her acting career.

But, thanks to her work in "Wonderstruck" and now John Krasinski's mostly silent horror film "A Quiet Place," the 14-year-old has already brought an authenticity, rawness and integrity to each of her roles that has made her stand out as one of the most promising young performers in American cinema.

This is not just because Simmonds is deaf, though, something that she incorporates into her performances in a subtle yet powerful fashion. Her talent runs much deeper than that.

I recently had the chance to speak to Simmonds, who talked to me about "A Quiet Place" and explained why embracing her deafness while working on a film set was such a huge challenge.

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What most appealed to you about your character in "A Quiet Place"?

She was just so courageous. And she's willing to stand up for her beliefs — and is strong willed. Which is the opposite of me. Because I'm very sensitive. If someone tells me to do something I do it right away. I learned a lot from this character. It helped me understand her feelings and her guilt and her experiences because of her deafness. Because she doesn't know that the things she does make noise.

I convey my thoughts, my emotions, I can communicate better, I have a better understanding of the world.

Were you surprised to learn so much through acting?

You learn so much from the character, from their point of view, their beliefs. And that helps me become richer as a human being. I was very shy. I didn't really hang around with hearing people very much. Mostly I had deaf friends. I was in a deaf school. But here I am hanging around with a crew in New York City. When I was younger I didn't want to hang around with anyone. But now I feel so comfortable. I convey my thoughts, my emotions, I can communicate better, I have a better understanding of the world. Now I have a sense of purpose. It makes me think a lot more about things.

Talk about your first meeting with John Krasinski.

The first time I met John I was just struck by how tall he was. Because I was only looking at his back. Then when he turned around I was immediately like, 'That's John Krasinski from 'The Office'.' He has such a presence and energy.

Your performance is stunning, and highlights the need for more representation in Hollywood.

We do need more deaf people in Hollywood, but I don't think that deaf people always have to play a deaf role. I think we can play different roles. We need to see more diversity — period. More people of color. More disabled people. More gender diversity. All kinds of diversity.

"A Quiet Place" is released on April 6.

GREGORY WAKEMAN

How young is too young for a mug of joe? ISTOCK

Kids and coffee: The true price of caffeine

The go-to staple of most teens could have long-lasting effects.

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If you've ever been to Starbucks on a school day, you'll have had to push past groups of anxious teenagers standing between you and your brew.

And while it wasn't that long ago that American kids would rather down a strawberry milkshake than a Grande Flat White (with a whopping 220 calories and 17 grams of sugar), now a morning, midday and afternoon coffee is almost guaranteed.

However, it's not just coffee that's the culprit. Caffeine can be found in energy drinks, tea, chocolate and some soft drinks. So it's not surprising that a recent U.S. study reported that 73% of children consumed caffeine at some point – mainly from cola beverages and chocolate.

"When it comes to teens and younger children, consuming concentrated amounts of caffeine is likely to result in poor sleep, restlessness and an inability to concentrate," explains dietician Susie Burrell. "And some experience a 'down,' a low-energy point, about 40 minutes after consuming an energy drink. One that could affect mood and performance."

In younger children, any level of caffeine has been proven to affect mood swings, increase blood pressure, slow heart rates, encourage behavioral problems and sleep disruptions (including bed wetting).

And it's not just these side effects that are making parents sit up and take action. The deadly affects of caffeine were sadly highlighted last year when a 16-year-old teen, from South Carolina, died of heart failure after he drank a latte, a soft drink and an energy drink.

So how much caffeine is safe for children and teenagers to consume on a day-to-day basis?

For adolescents, the American Academy of Pediatrics recommends a daily maximum of 100 mg, which is roughly equal to what's contained in a can of cola (34 mg) and a chocolate bar (20-60mg), and when it comes to children, they suggest a zero caffeine-intake in kids under 12.

Not surprisingly, it's recommended that parents watch the caffeine intake of their children and teenagers, taking special notice of highly caffeinated coffees and expensive energy drinks, which dietitian Susie Burrell believes should be avoided all together by adults and children.

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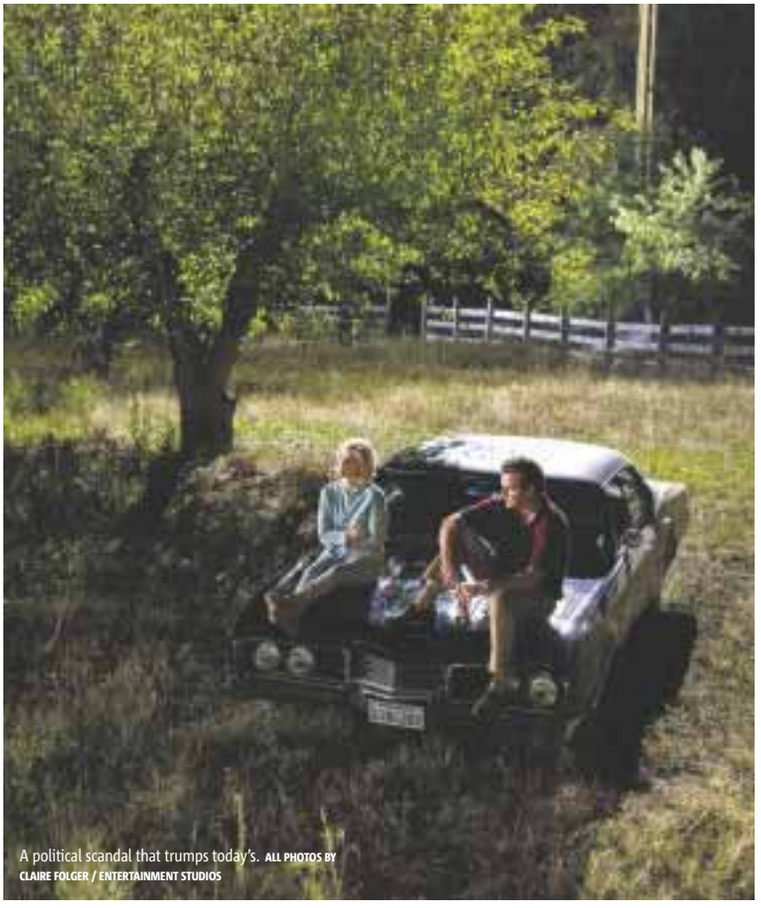

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'Chappaquiddick' star compares Ted Kennedy to Homer Simpson

Actor Jason Clarke and director John Curran discuss tackling the late senator's complicated legacy.

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"Chappaquiddick" attempts to peel back the many layers of Ted Kennedy, offering an intimate look into the mind and soul of the late senator as he dealt with his infamous 1969 scandal.

The movie offers a far from flattering portrayal of the Boston-born politician, who often comes across on screen as cold, hubristic and even bumbling. While there are moments where Kennedy, played by Jason Clarke, seems genuinely remorseful over his role in the death of Mary Jo Kopechne (Kate Mara), those are overshadowed by the many instances in the film where his naked ambition appear to trump his sense of morality.

Beyond his fears of hurting his career and family name, Kennedy's sheer ineptitude over making decisions is showcased, like in the scene where he tries (and fails) to curry people's sympathies by wearing a fake neck brace to Kopechne's funeral. When you watch moments like this, it's easy to see how Clarke felt like a cartoon character at times.

"I joked early on that there's a bit of Homer Simpson in Ted," Clarke tells Metro. "There's a bit of Homer Simpson in all of us, really."

As director John Curran notes, though, the film isn't a "one-dimensional hit piece" on Kennedy, but rather a portrait of that takes a deep dive into his thought process as he dealt with the aftermath of Kopechne's death. The filmmaker praises the screenplay as a "fair and balanced look" at the tragedy.

"It felt like the opposite of the usual Kennedy story," Curran says. "Still a damning portrait, but I thought the way they handled it was a pretty exciting opportunity."

Considering Kennedy's later work as a champion on issues like civil rights, education and health, Curran felt conflicted working on this project. However, he admits that the stain of what hap-

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Jason Clarke plays Ted Kennedy in "Chappaquiddick."

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"He had an incredible second act," Curran says. "That doesn't happen very often for politicians that come through something like this."

Thanks to the rise of Donald Trump, the world of politics has changed dramatically since the Chappaquiddick incident. While Curran believes that the media would be "a feeding frenzy" if this scandal happened to Kennedy today, it's hard to say whether it would've completely curtailed his presidential aspirations.

What it comes down to is the power of bases and its members being willing to amplify or overlook a candidate's faults depending on where they fall on the political spectrum.

"When [Trump] said that 'I can shoot someone on Fifth Ave.,' for us, it was shocking," Curran says. "I think his base would support him. What he's finally revealed is that it's like Boston Red Sox fans vs. Yankees fans – there's nothing that's going to make you become a Yankees fan if you live in Boston and vice versa."

Clarke believes that this partisan approach has framed how people look back on Kennedy's legacy and his actions in Chappaquiddick.

"History's still coming down on this and there's no way to look at it as if those choices were good," he says.

"Chappaquiddick" opens in theaters April 6.

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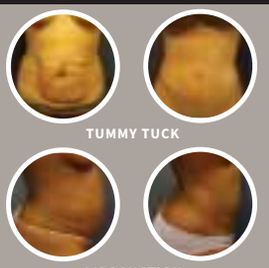

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Baking from the heart

Pastries for Planned Parenthood NYC? Yes, please. LIZ CLAYMAN

Pickowicz's bomboloni

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Pastry chef Natasha Pickowicz tells us about organizing the fanciest bake sale ever and the activism she hopes to inspire with it.

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It's not just any bake sale whose roster includes vegan queen Erin McKenna, Le Bernardin's Thomas Raquel and Justine MacNeil (most recently of Del Posto). Yet they're just a handful of the incredible pastry talent you'll find packed into Café Altro Paradiso (234 Spring St.) this Sunday for the second annual Planned Parenthood Bake Sale.

"I've been looking forward to this all year," says Natasha Pickowicz, pastry chef at Paradiso and Flora Bar and organizer of the sale. "I feel like I'm planning my dream music festival, my own Coachella but with pastry chefs who I think are super badass."

With over two dozen restaurants and bakeries participating, the restaurant's dining room and terrace will be entirely devoted to the bake sale. There will be a mix of sweet and savory: breads by Danny Meyer's all-day cafe Daily Provisions, themed ice creams from Morgenstern's, warm churros with hot chocolate from La Newyorkina, Pickowicz's own vanilla bean cream-filled bomboloni as well as a pizzette topped with fresh greens, and all the cookies, cakes and palletas you can imagine.

New this year are java from Counterculture Coffee, pours by Enlightenment Wines and boozy punch from Brooklyn's Yola Mezcal.

Cooking up an idea

The bake sale came from the same place of despair and needing to do something that spawned the Women's March and other activist movements in the winter of 2016. "We were all asking ourselves a lot of hard questions, including what we can do," Pickowicz recalls.

While a lot of her friends in the restaurant business were throwing incredible but expensive benefit dinners, she was looking for something more accessible. "I really wanted it to feel like something that was happening on the ground that everybody could be a part of: kids, families, my friends who don't make a lot of money who want to support.

"For me, I'm in pastry, I sell cookies and desserts, that's my passion and skill set."

The community response was overwhelming. People were lining up well before the event's start time of 11 a.m., so arrive early. At the door, you'll buy $5 tickets to exchange for goodies and get a cake box to put them all in. Participants have quadrupled their production from 50 portions to 200 to make sure there are enough treats for everyone.

Inspiring activism

All of the proceeds — that's the entire ticket price, with chefs donating their time and materials — benefit Planned Parenthood of New York City. In the Trump era, it's been a particularly high-profile target of criticism from those who don't understand its mission. Pickowicz chose the organization's local chapter to support its services, but also to get the participating chefs thinking beyond the kitchen.

Customers get to meet some unsung heroes of the culinary world — who also happen to be largely female in an otherwise male-dominated field. Meanwhile, chefs get to meet the people who value their work and be inspired to take a closer look at how they can be more a part of their own neighborhoods.

"It sounds like such a cliche, but the educational, conversation part about it is just as important as what the money is going to do," she says.

"I'm always encouraging people I work with to prioritize these kinds of experiences because it makes our work better, and it's making our community more relatable and meaningful for us."

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Opening Weekend in Prospect Park

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ARTS

The Photography Show

The world's longest-running fair dedicated to photography returns with a show about exploring time, from the 1800s to today. For the first time, The Photography Show will also welcome video and new media, with nearly 100 galleries and publishers participating. There are 15 talks (separately ticketed), as well as three special exhibits including A Time for Reflection, curated by Elton John, and a collection inspired by the Black Panther movement. **April 5-8, Pier 94, 711 12th Ave., $10-$60, aipadshow.com**

FOOD

Komeeda Chef Showdown

Komeeda is about bringing people together over food, but there's no harm in mixing in a little healthy competition. The Chef Showdown series pits four self-made chefs against one another to showcase great ingredients, and this time past champs will compete to honor spring with all-vegetarian entries. Taste them all, and enjoy the wine and beer on tap, and help choose the winner at the Food Arts Center. **April 5, 6-9 p.m., Food Arts Center, 210 W. 43rd St., $35, komeeda.com**

PODCASTING

NYC Podfest

Podcasts leap off the internet and onto the stage at Abrons Arts Center this weekend. Catch stars including Zach Braff (Garden State) and industry professionals whose backgrounds range from tech and politics to TV and Broadway. They're all taping live in an intimate setting, often with live music and other surprises. Shows this year include Pod Save the People, The Complete Guide to Everything, Inside the Closet and Applying It Liberally. **April 6-8, 466 Grand St., $10-$15, nycpodfest.com**

STRANGE & UNUSUAL

Power of Images: Life, Death, Rebirth

The Morbid Anatomy Museum is back (sort of). Taking over the Fort Hamilton Gatehouse inside Green-Wood Cemetery is their new exhibition, The Power of Images: Life, Death, Rebirth. The show of art and artifacts explores the one experience all humans share: death, with personal, religious and historic perspectives on mortality. In the attic of the gatehouse, you'll also find a library of the strange and unusual. **Through June 24, weekends, noon-5 p.m., 500 25th St. free, morbidanatomy.blogspot.com**

ILLUSTRATION

MoCCA Arts Festival

The Museum of Comic and Cartoon Art organizes the city's largest independent gathering for illustrators, animators, cartoonists and other artists. Spanning two days, the MoCCA Arts Festival features over 400 participants with exhibits, workshops, signings, sketch nights, lectures, film screenings and more. Most will be held at Metropolitan West, with some programming down the block at Ink48 and Saturday's After-Party at the Society of Illustrators. **April 7-8, Metropolitan West, 639 W. 46th St., $7, societyillustrators.org**

PERFORMANCE

Downtown Urban Arts Festival

Formerly a theater festival, the annual Downtown Urban Arts Festival has grown into an expansive five-week collaboration that also features film, poetry, music, visual art and more, all staged at venues in Downtown Manhattan. It kicks off with a concert by "The Voice" finalist We McDonald at Joe's Pub; other highlights include Gay.Sex.Mafia with Joe Gulla on April 14, the Words Matter poetry slam on May 5 and the Mexican short film "Songs of Wild Animals" on May 10. **April 7-May 12, various locations, $10-$30, duafnyc.com**

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Volcanic vineyards

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Artistic heritage

One of the first things you'll notice in Lanzarote is the scarcity of man-made eyesores like flashing billboards and monstrous resorts. Such is the legacy of artist and architect César Manrique, who railed relentlessly against speculators and developers to preserve the island's geological integrity. Get a taste of his ingenuity at Tahíche, a Bohemian crash-pad hewn into a volcanic sinkhole.

Distinctive cuisine

Compared to the restrained cuisine of mainland Spain, known for minimal spicing and saucing, Canarian food makes no apologies about its pungent flavors. Mojo, a garlicky condiment spooned over grilled meats and fish, is a fixture on the Canarian table. So are papas arrugadas, "wrinkly potatoes" cooked in salt water until their flesh is dense and buttery.

Volcano Dining

Here's one for the bucket list: dinner on a volcano. In the heart of Timanfaya National Park, a 19-square-mile expanse of soaring volcanic peaks and jet-black lava fields, sit down to a meal at El Diablo, a glass-enclosed aerie overlooking the Martian landscape. Try the chicken grilled over a volcanic vent.

Underwater museum

Museo Atlántico is the brainchild of Jason deCaires Taylor, a muck-raking artist known for his politically charged exhibits. Inaugurated in 2017, his underwater museum in Playa Blanca (the only of its kind in Europe) features more than 300 thought-provoking forms.

Iberostar Lanzarote Park PROVIDED

Standout accommodations

Lanzarote is home to some of the archipelago's most sought-after hotels. Travelers looking for accessible luxury and all-inclusive pampering should look no further than Iberostar Lanzarote Park, a chic yet unpretentious oceanfront property that reopened last year after major renovations.

Outdoor activities

Lanzarote has such optimal weather that it can be hard to peel yourself from the poolside chaise longue, but lollygagging all day would be a mistake. Give the rental car a break and lace up your running shoes or hop on a bike to better take in the island's dramatic scenery. Complement your terrestrial training with water sports.

Los Hervideros

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Conforto set to return today

The Mets are getting their starting center fielder back.

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Usually, good news on the injury front and the New York Mets don't go hand-in-hand, but that is just what the team got on Wednesday.

Per the New York Post's Mike Puma, outfielder Michael Conforto will travel with the team to Washington D.C. where he will "likely" be activated from the disabled list today.

He could make his season debut against the Nationals as early as this afternoon at 1:05 p.m. ET.

Conforto has not appeared in a regular-season game since August after dislocating his shoulder while fouling off a pitch. Initially, the 25-year-old was not expected back until at least May 1.

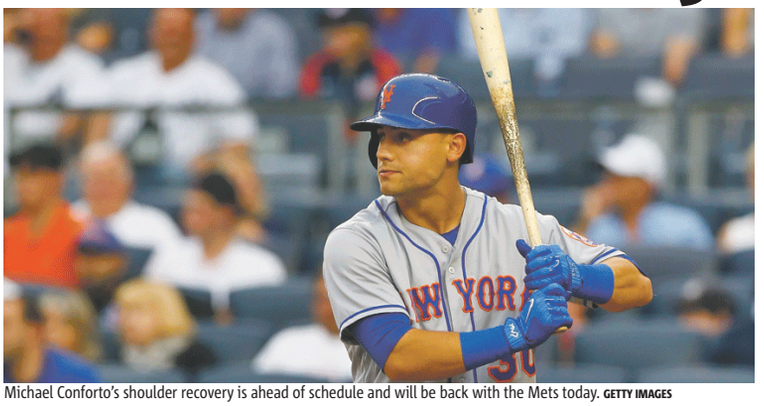
He was New York's best all-around hitter last season, batting .279 with a .384 on-base percentage, 20 home runs and 68 RBI in just 109 games before his injury.

It was an enormous comeback from a 2016 campaign in which his big-league future was in doubt after batting .220 with 12 home runs and 42 RBI in the same amount of games.

During his absence, including the first two series of the 2018 season, the Mets were forced to trot out a platoon of Brandon Nimmo and Juan Lagares in center field. Nimmo has shown signs of becoming an effective lead-off hitter at the MLB level thanks to his patience at the plate. In his first 11 plate appearances, he's reached base seven times.

On the other hand, Lagares usually ensures sterling defense but a struggling bat. However, he has five hits in nine at-bats to start the season.

While Conforto is not a natural center fielder, he will likely slot in at that spot. Right fielder Jay Bruce and left fielder Yoenis Cespedes don't provide any better options in center. It will force new manager Mickey Callaway to try and find new ways to get Nimmo and Lagares' bat in the lineup as they will now be relegated to more of a reserve role.



Michael Conforto's shoulder recovery is ahead of schedule and will be back with the Mets today. GETTY IMAGES

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The Islanders have won six-straight games against the Rangers dating back to last season, but this could very well be captain and star center John Tavares' final home game as a member of the blue and orange. JOE PANTORNO

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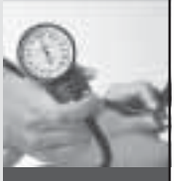

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Sam Darnold (top left), Josh Allen (top right), Josh Rosen (bottom left) and Baker Mayfield (bottom right) will all visit the Giants next week. GETTY IMAGES

Giants to host top QBs in draft

The Giants look poised to draft a quarterback at No. 2 and will host the best available prospects next week. That is, if they keep the pick.

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If the New York Giants do indeed hold onto their No. 2 pick in the 2018 NFL Draft, it appears obvious that they will draft Eli Manning's potential successor.

Albert Breer of the MMQB reported on Wednesday that the Giants will host USC's Sam Darnold, Wyoming's Josh Allen, UCLA's Josh Rosen and Oklahoma's Baker Mayfield, all of which are passers slated to go in the top 10 of this year's selection process.

The Giants will likely have their pick of all but one of the four potential passing stars as the Cleveland Browns, selecting at No. 1, are slated to take a quarterback as well. At the moment, the general consensus is that they are between Allen or Darnold.

Darnold has reportedly topped the Giants wish list over the past few weeks, a dazzling performance through a torrential downpour of a pro day quieting a lot of doubters that believed he would have trouble transitioning to the NFL. Many scouts and executives alike believe New York will take the USC passer if he's there.

Allen had himself a strong showing during his pro day as well, exhibiting a live arm that can unleash deep balls 70-plus yards with improved accuracy and footwork. However, the Wyoming product has been linked more with the other team from New York, the Jets, who are picking at No. 3.

Instead, Rosen has seen his name crop up with the Giants throughout this offseason. He is something of an enigma as there have been some concerns surrounding his demeanor and maturity, but he's passed all early tests throughout the combine and pre-draft process. That included a dinner with Giants management in which he admitted to having an awesome time (h/t New York Daily News).

There have been even more questions regarding Mayfield, who has had his fair share of immature moments both on and off the field. But there is no denying the Heisman Trophy winner's potential as he had a better completion percentage and threw for more yards than any of the four quarterbacks that will descend upon New Jersey next week.

He's even been drawing comparisons to Hall of Famers as ESPN draft guru Mel Kiper Jr. likened his "moxie" to John Elway's (h/t 247sports.com).

However, there is plenty of interest on the trade market for such a high pick and the most pressure seems to be coming from the Buffalo Bills.

ESPN's Todd McShay is "hearing a lot of buzz" that the Giants and Bills could hook up for a deal that would catapult Buffalo to the No. 2 spot.

Buffalo has plenty of draft assets to give up, which could persuade the Giants to pull the trigger on such a deal. They currently hold two first-round picks (Nos. 12 and 22) and a second rounder (No. 53). All three of those selections would likely have to be bundled up to get such a high pick.

The Bills are in desperate need of a franchise quarterback after trading Tyrod Taylor to the Cleveland Browns last month. At the moment, the unproven A.J. McCarron, who signed at the start of free agency, and Nathan Peterman are the men who would compete for Buffalo's starting job.

They obviously aren't doing enough to ease minds in western New York as an NFL general manager told CBS Sports' Jason La Canfora that the Bills are "trying like hell to get up and get a quarterback."

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ALEX CORONEL; SUSAN CORONEL; et al; Defendant(s)
Attorney (s) for Plaintiff (s):
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INDEX NO. 11927/13
Kerry John Katsorhis, Esq.,
Referee

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17 Look like
19 Grassy area
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26 Reimbursed
28 John Wayne's "-- Lobo"
29 Soft, warm wool
31 Unwraps
33 Cover story
34 Pang
35 Land in "la mer"
36 Beer or ale
39 Krypton or radon
40 Greek harp
42 Klutz's cry (hyph.)
44 Pats lightly
46 Split to join
51 Replenish
54 Soft purples
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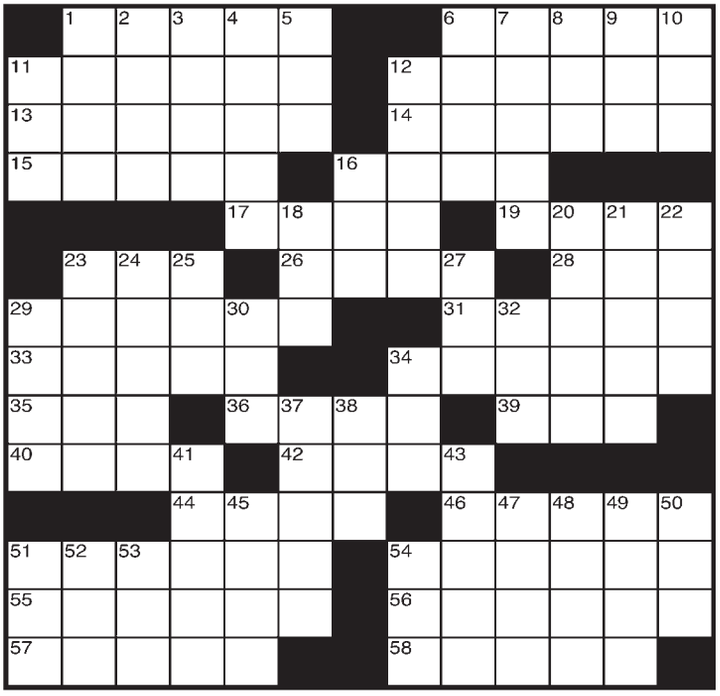

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Aries Take the time to cultivate good relationships with your peers. How you deal with others will determine how much you get in return.

Taurus Make plans with someone you love to spend time with. Doing things with children, a friend or a loved one will bring some suggestions that will change relationships.

Gemini Personal changes at home will give you a boost. Moving things around or making room for something you enjoy doing will add to your comfort. Romance is in the stars.

Cancer Do your best to nourish important relationships. Listen and look for solutions to problems. Matters concerning older relatives should be handled with care.

Leo Get along with your peers if you want to avoid being left out. Show enthusiasm and be willing to pitch in and help so that you'll be kept in the loop as changes are being considered.

Virgo Share your ideas to receive all sorts of suggestions that will help you coordinate your plans in a timely and affordable manner. A partnership will improve your chances of success.

Libra Your desire to be loved and to keep the peace will jeopardize your success if you are constantly helping others get ahead. Make personal changes that support you.

Scorpio Get your thoughts and feelings out in the open. Now is the time to speak up and make changes that will improve personal and professional relationships.

Sagittarius Trusting someone unreliable will leave you in an awkward position. Don't share rumors, or you will end up being the one who is blamed.

Capricorn A change to the way you do things may come as a surprise to friends and relatives, but if it's in your best interest, you should trust your instincts.

Aquarius Tell someone you love exactly how you feel. Much can be accomplished if you are forthright about what you are willing to give and what you want in return.

Pisces Spice up your image and the way you embrace life, work and getting along with others. Step out of your comfort zone and show off what you have to offer. EUGENIA LAST

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